OLD ENGLAND.

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Delectando pariterq; monendo. YEATES.

Well-choſen Motto this! I have borrowed it from a Performance ſaid to come from the Hands of the truly ingenious Author of the *Jacobite Journal*; who, it ſeems, has, ever ſince he broke as a *Puppet Shew-man*, employed himſelf in writing humorous Interludes for the Entertainment of the *Bridewell* Boys, and the Mobility of the Town, at *Bartholomew* Fair. That he has *carried Humour up to the tip-top of Perfection*, we have from himſelf, in a Letter which he wrote to himſelf, and publiſhed in the very ſame *Jack Journal*. Tho' I muſt own the Profeſſion of *Preſs-Informer* places our Author in an odious View; yet I think I may venture to aſſert, that he is in ſome Meaſure grateful, as appears by the well-written Interlude which he has put into the Hands of a facetious Comedian, with whom he is ſaid to be entered into Partnerſhip during the Fair. In this elegant Work, he celebrates a Brace of Patrons under the Characters of *Solomon Slender* and *Barnaby Buſtle*: Indeed I ſhould have named the laſt firſt, in reſpect to his Quality and Merit; but I take them as the Poet-Laureat of *Bartholomew* Fair has thought fit to rank them, and there's no doubt of his knowing beſt, and that he had good Reaſons for what he did.

I doubt my Reader has been already before-hand with me, in diſcovering a kind of Analogy between *Solomon Slender* and *Selim Slim*: I think it is pretty ſtrong; Firſt, Becauſe theſe Names have the ſame Initial Letters; Secondly, it is well known that *Selim* is a Man of Learning and Wiſdom, and therefore is rightly called in his Theatrical Capacity *Solomon*; and Thirdly, *Slender* and *Slim* are ſynonimous Words, that is to ſay, tall, lank and thin. That *Selim* is ſpontaneouſly run up by the mere Strength of Nature into a vaſt Length of Height, is notorious to every Body who has ſeen the Print, and read the Verſes

Which erſt were made on Little-Tony,
Who is ſo ſlender and ſo bony.

Agreed on all Hands then, that *Selim Slim* and *Solomon Slender* make up but one and the ſame Perſon, Patron of the *Jacobite Journal*, and *weekly* Paymaſter of *John Trotplaid*, Eſq; Barriſter at Law, Puppet-Shew Poet, and Laureat of *Bartholomew* Fair!

Proceed we then in the Drama, wherein the judicious Author firſt introduces Patron *Solomon* haranguing with a Vehemency of Speech in the Houſe of the Elders (probably the *Sanhedrim*) againſt Bribery and Corruption, in Behalf of Liberty and it's Concomitant the Preſs. Here he acts his Part very well, and makes a good Figure, notwithſtanding his *Splay-Feet* and unproportioned Length. But it is to be remembered, that the Silver Swan is ſomewhat aſhamed of her Feet, and the Camel of his Height.

But the judicious Author, to ſhew the Mutability of human Kind, ſhifts the Scene and his Patron's Principles together, and ſo exhibits his *Solomon* in the next Act, firſt worſhiping *Aſtoreth* the God of the *Pel'amgæ!* and then reconciling Bribery and Corruption, as neceſſary Arts of Government with his own docile Conſcience; and as if that was not ſufficient, he makes him ſacrifice, at the Altar of theſe falſe Gods, made by human Voices if not by human Hands, as a kind of Expiation, the very ſame Speech as he had before made in Favour of Liberty and the Preſs; and all this, in the Preſence of the very ſame honeſt Set of *Elders*, who had heard him pronounce it with ſo much Elocution, while he was on t'other Side the Queſtion; who ſeemed, with Surprize and Aſtoniſhment, to turn their Eyes upon one *Bronſo*, as tho' our *Solomon*'s Recantation was rather more marvellous than his. Immediately after this, the Scene opens and lets in a Printer's Preſs upon the Stage, puſhed along, upon Caſtors, by an ill-looking ſort of a Perſon in a *black Wig*, who, after inſtructing *Solomon* in the Weakneſs of the Engine, and how it might be effectually overthrown, joins with him in a furious Attempt for that Purpoſe, and were juſt on the Point of overturning it, if the venerable *Argus Centoculi* had not ſtept in with his Hundred Eyes to it's Reſcue, and beaten *Solomon* and his *black* Fellow off the Stage.

The Audience began to look upon this as a very bad Compliment from the Author to his Patron, and were juſt humming out their Diſlike, when Comic-Partner ſtepp'd out from behind the Scenes, and, addreſſing the Audience in his humorous Way, ſaid, There was a *Meaning* in the Thing, and that was more than could be found in the reſt of the Author's Works. A Plaudit enſued, and, as he was triping off, was called back again with a loud *Encore*; but, as our Comedian is no ſmall Dealer in Wit himſelf, he well knew that ſmart Sayings often loſe in Repetition, and therefore hoped the Audience would excuſe him, as his Memory was like that of all other Wits, but very ſhort; but however promiſed to ſend them out a Character that, without any Wit at all, ſhould make them all laugh, and ſo diſappeared.

After a loud tumultuous Noiſe of *Down with High Church and* Ormond, behind the Scenes, enters *Barnaby Buſtle*, with a Coronet on his Head, and a Conſtable's long Staff in his Hand, at the Head of a Mob, under the Banner of a *Jacobite Journal*, waving at the End of a Broomſtick in the Air. I thought *Buſtle* brandiſhed his Staff ſomewhat unſkilfully, as he rapt the Pates of his Friends as well as thoſe of his Adverſaries all round him; and at laſt, like a raw Player at Quarter-Staff, broke his own Scull, as he was twirling his Weapon about his Head. Though he ran about with an officious Face of Buſineſs from Side to Side and Corner to Corner in Search of *Ormonnites*, and appear'd much in Character as ever any overbuſy, unmeaning Mortal could; yet there were ſome among the Audience that could not find a Head for the Cap, 'till a boiſterous Butcher of *Clare-Market*, who had ſerved under him as a Colonel in the *Clare* Regiment of Mobites, reproved them for their Stupidity, and cried out, *By G——d, 'tis my Landlord! who elſe ſhould it be, an be d——n'd to you? and that is* Poſt-Office Bell *on his Left, with his Leather Apron and Tinker's Implements under his Girdle.* Theſe two Chiefs entered into Converſation together, when *Buſtle* told him, he would get him a Place as ſoon as he could get one himſelf, and that he ſhould run away with 40 or 50000 *l.* of the Government's Money with Impunity. After *Buſtle* had tript about the Stage for near half an Hour, like an *Harlequin*, here and there and every where, and beaten his Head from Pillar to Poſt like a Beetle in a Summer's Evening, he vaniſhed away; and, after a ſhort intermediate Scene, he re-enters with a fine white Wand in his Hand, with a Group of Courtiers, to whom he bowed very obſequiouſly all around. He behaved in this Character ſo very decently, that nothing occur'd to laugh at. He kept a hoſpitable Table, and diffuſed his Bounty ſo very cavalierly about, that all the Audience allow'd he became his Station very well. This Scene was more true than entertaining, for, as I hinted before, nothing appear'd ludicrous enough to titulate the Spectators.

Had the Author left his Patron here, he had done Honour to his Character; but he thought he had not raiſed him high enough, and therefore exhibits him in the next Scene with a Pen in his Hand and a Copy-Book, making Eſſays towards writing his Name on every Table he found in his Way, and ſometimes with the Copy-Book ſpread upon his Knees, and ſometimes placed, with an Air of Negligence, on his Hat, in ſo very extravagant and wild a Manner, that nothing but his own Poet's Imagination could account for it: Yet his Geſtures and over-buſy Countenence appeared frequently ſo very ridiculous, as to cauſe a loud Laugh from the Audience; more particularly, when he told one *Lapis*, who guided his Hand a little to put him in a Way at firſt, that he was made *Secretary* to the Lord of the Manor; who anſwered, if that was all that made him ſo very ſolicitous about mending his Hand, it was Time ſpent to no Manner of Purpoſe, for that he could write well enough already to ſign Diſpatches for abroad and Warrants againſt the Preſs at home; and therefore deſired him to turn his Head a little towards thinking of proper Matter to write, in order to direct his Clerks what to do, and to underſtand what they had done upon Occaſion; particularly, how to draw up and word a Memorial or Preliminaries for a Peace, and ſuch like Things. Poh! replies *Buſtle*, I can't be at a Loſs for the thinking Part of the Office; for I intend to perform it by Deputy, who ſhall be no leſs a Man than my old Friend *Lapis* himſelf; for which Purpoſe, I will make thee a M*b*r of P****t next Election, which thou know'ſt very well will qualify thee very ſufficiently for any Poſt: For I ſhall leave all the Buſineſs of my Office to thee, while I rant, revel, and riot about, ſo as to make all the Haſte I can thro' my Eſtate, which I intend likewiſe to commit to the good Care of honeſt *Peter*; contenting myſelf with only ſigning my Name, as to the Buſineſs of my Office, that Foreigners may be convinced I can write, and with the Privilege of running in Debt in my own Affairs.

Notwithſtanding all this the Author, after giving *Buſtle* his Swing 'till he had run out at both Elbows and Heels, makes him at laſt, not only very fond of buſtling about Buſineſs, but gives him a ſtrong Impulſe of Ambition to hold the Rudder of the *Britannia*, which he ſeizes violently upon when leaſt expected, and with the Aſſiſtance of *Harry*, the Purſer, and *Bronſo*, an hereditary noiſy *Boatſwain*, with a few gloomy Malecontents among the Crew, he beats the Pilot and all the Officers off the Quarter-Deck, impriſons the CAPTAIN in his Cabbin, and ſo ſteers about N. E. N. N. E. N. E. and by N. and ſo through all the Points of the Compaſs; bulging the Ship againſt all the Rocks, Shelves and Sand-Banks in his Way, thro' Whirlwinds, Rain, Lightning and Thunder, with full-ſpread Sails, Top and Top-Gallant! 'till the Main-Maſt comes down even with the Deck, and then frightened out of his Wits he calls out a Peace! a Peace! for God's Sake! and ſo quits the

Helm to Brother *Hal.* jumps off the Quarter-Deck, and runs among the Forecaſtle Men, wringing his Hands, and crying out a Peace! a Peace! But however forgets not to call at the Forecaſtle upon the Cook, to know whether he had any Thing *diſguiſed* for Dinner; and to order *Lapis* to write to his Friend to ſign the Preliminaries off hand.

Then the CAPTAIN is let out upon his Parole, who however, diſliking his Campany, manns the Long-Boat, under Pretence of Buſineſs; and, after falling in with the Iſlands of *Batavia*, lands upon the Continent. *Buſtle* upon this, reflecting that if the old *Pilot* got after him, he ſhould ſurely be hanged, ſecures the *Cockboat*, and, notwithſtanding his long Averſion to Cockboat Adventures, he gets the better of his Fears, and rows away with his Wife in the Steerage, whom he lands ſafe and ſound on the Enemy's Coaſt to make ſure of a Retreat for him, as if he made no Doubt of being called to Account for *preliminariſing* too precipitately; and then puts away after the CAPTAIN as faſt as Oars could ply: But, before he reached the Shore, he hears all the Guns of *Gaul* ſalute his Wife with Volleys of Thunder. "A good Omen! (cries he) lo! the Wiſdom of having obliged the Enemy, ſince to the Enemy I muſt fly for Refuge."

The Repreſentation was very artfully conducted; and tho' I was very much diverted with theſe Adventures of *Slender* and *Buſtle*, yet, as I had very preſſing Buſineſs to tranſact, I was obliged to withdraw before the Curtain was dropt, ſo that I don't know how the Interlude ended: But I heard it whiſpered about by ſome, as if the ſame faithful Magiſtrate, who ſeiz'd a great *French* General, was likewiſe to take *Buſtle* into Cuſtody upon the Confines, as *an Enemy to his Maſter and his Country*; tho' I am more inclined to believe others, who ſaid, that the CAPTAIN, finding him a much more tractable Continent man abroad than an Iſlander at home, received him very cordially, and promiſed to undertake for him at the next General Aſſembly, on his Return to his Manor of *Brito-Major*. So that, in all Probability, the Performance cloſes up ſucceſsfully, to the Honour of *Solomon Slender* and *Barnaby Buſtle*, and to the Emolument of the Partners in the Interlude.

Parſon Filch, *the Magazine maker's Receipt veriſify'd.*

TO roaſt a *thick* Piece of good Beef will require
Full an Hour and an Half, by a capital Fire;
But if this *thick* Piece is but a *thin* Piece,
An Hour and a Quarter by G**d will ſuffice.

LONDON.

We hear that the Lords of the Regency have lately held two extraordinary Councils, for Examining the Project of the Definitive Treaty, which had been ſent from Aix la Chapelle; and that they have diſpatched an Expreſs, with their Approbation thereof, to his Majeſty at Hanover.

It is generally believed that a Proclamation for opening the Trade with Spain will be publiſhed in a few Days.

Saturday the 13th Inſtant, at the Aſſizes held at Stafford, came on before the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Burnet, the Trial of an Information againſt John Luxdale, and others, by a Special Jury of Gentlemen of that County, for a Riot committed at the Borough of Stafford, and for forcibly breaking into, defacing, and demoliſhing the Houſe of William Chetwynd, Eſq; on the Election Day, when the ſaid William Chetwynd, and John Robbins, Eſqrs. were returned Members to repreſent that Borough in Parliament; and after ſome Hours ſpent in examining the great Number of Witneſſes for the Crown, and the Facts fully proved againſt eighteen of the Defendants in that Information, the Council for the Rioters propoſed, that thoſe eighteen Perſons ſhould be found Guilty, and that Mr. Chetwynd ſhould have Satisfaction made him for the Damage done to his Houſe, if the Council for the Crown would conſent to withdraw the other Informations, which were then to be tried againſt ſeveral other Perſons concerned in that Riot; which Propoſal was agreed to by the Crown, and thoſe eighteen Perſons convicted by the Jury; upon which Mr. Chetwynd generouſly refuſed to take Satisfaction for the Damage done to his Houſe.

The ſame Day came on the Trial of the Information againſt Toll, and others, for inſulting and ſtriking his Grace the Duke of Bedford, and other Gentlemen, upon Whittington Heath, at the laſt Litchfield Races; when it was likewiſe propoſed by the Council for the Defendants, that the ſeveral Rioters in that Information, to the Number of Thirteen, ſhould ſubmit to be found Guilty, if the Council for the Crown would conſent to withdraw the Information againſt ſeveral other Perſons concerned in that Riot, which was agreed to by the Council for the Crown; and thoſe Defendants, who were the principal Perſons concerned in that Riot, were alſo convicted by the Jury.

They write from Cheſter, that the Aſſizes of Merioneth-ſhire, Montgomery-ſhire, Denbigh-ſhire, and Flint, were all Maiden ones, and but one Perſon ſentenced for Tranſportation.

Laſt Week as Mr. Hunter, of Darking in Surry, was riding over the South Downs, he was ſuddenly taken ill, and though he was attended by a Servant, and ſome others in Company, he died before he could be conveyd to a Houſe. His fortune, which was very conſiderable, he has bequeath'd to the Rev. Mr. Hunter, his Nephew, of Wadham College, Oxford.

Laſt Sunday Night died Mr. Thomas Kilham, jun. Commander of the Candois Sloop, occaſioned by his falling into a Vault as he was croſſing Covent Garden on Saturday Night laſt between Nine and Ten o'Clock.

One Day laſt Week as Philip Diemſter, Eſq; a Gentleman of a large Eſtate at North Somercotes in the County of Lincoln, was riding one of his Geldings, the Creature took Fright, by which Accident he fell off, and was kill'd on the Spot.

Yeſterday fe'nnight at Night a Tradeſman coming through St. James's Park, by the Stable Yard, heard a Woman ſcream terribly by the Canal, on which he made to her Aſſiſtance, and ſaw a Man make off, and the Woman up to her Neck in the Canal, on which ſome others coming up, they got her out, when it appeared he had robbed her of her Pocket and Money, and Silver Buckles, and afterwards flung her in, where ſhe would have been drowned had they not came ſeaſonably to her Aſſiſtance.

Laſt Thurſday 7 Night, about 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon, there happened a dreadful Fire at Barkway in Hertfordſhire: It was occaſioned by a Stack of Hay being laid up too green, which took Fire, and immediately communicated itſelf to the adjacent Barns; and the Wind being very briſk, the Flames, in a few Hours, laid in Aſhes thirteen Dwelling Houſes, ſome of them pretty large ones, with Ricks, Stacks, Barnes, Stables, and Out-houſes belonging to them; as alſo all thoſe of two very large Farms, the Dwelling-Houſes of which eſcaped. The Damage done by this Fire is ſaid to amount to near 3000 l.

On Monday two Scaffold in Tothill-Fields fell down, and one Man had the Misfortune to break his Leg, and ſeveral others were very much bruiſed; and as the Horſes were coming in the laſt Heat, a Woman croſſing the Way was rode over, which flung the Horſe down, broke the Rider's Collar-Bone, and the Woman was ſo much hurt, that ſhe died on Tueſday in the Weſtminſter Infirmary.

One Day laſt Week a pretty luſty Gentlewoman going to a Neceſſary-Houſe at the Bottom of her Garden, at Clapton, the Boards gave way, and ſhe fell up to her Chin in the Soil; ſhe called out loudly for Help, but nobody came near her, ſo that ſhe was in ſuch a faint Condition as to be near expiring; at length ſhe bethought herſelf to cry out Murder, which ſhe did as loud as ſhe could ſcream, and it had the Effect, by bringing People to her Aſſiſtance, who ſoon got her out.

On Saturday laſt, as a Barge was ſailing up the River, a Boat happened to be going along-ſide of her in which was a Man and a Boy, and the Wind being very high, broke his Sail Sprit belonging to the Barge in two, one Part of which fell upon the poor Man's Head that was in the Boat, and killed him immediately.

Monday in the Afternoon an unhappy Accident happened near Enfield; one Mr. James Thorp, a Maſon, coming from thence over the Foreſt, obſerving a Man riding haſtily after him, took him for a Highwayman, on which he put Spurs to his Horſe, and rode with full Speed to prevent his being robbed; but accidentally the Horſe fell down, and he falling underneath, was ſo miſerably bruiſed, that he died in a few Hours.

Laſt Saturday, between three and four o'Clock, the Bath Coach was ſtopt by a ſingle Highwayman, juſt as they got out of the Town of Newbury; there were in it, two Gentlemen and four Ladies, and he robbed them of about twelve Guineas: he was a luſty Man dreſſed in a white Surtout Coat, with a Cape over his Head.

A few Days ago as Mr. Cowper a Hop Merchant in the Borough, was coming from Epſom, over Wimbleton Common, he was attacked by a ſingle Highwayman, dreſſed in a Gold laced Hat, and mounted on a Bay Gelding, who robbed him of three Guineas and ſome Silver. At parting, he told him to make the beſt of his Way, or he would ſoon meet with other Collectors.

Laſt Monday Night about 11 o'Clock, Mr. Webbrook, a Brazier, in Company with another, was attacked at London Wall by ſeveral Fellows, who took from them about three Pounds, and made off with their Booty.

On Saturday Night Mr. Walter a Weaver, going through Lemon-ſtreet Goodman's Fields, was ſtopt by three Fellows, who robbed him of ſixteen Shillings, a Silver Snuff Box, and other Things of Value: One of the Villains gave him ſuch a violent Blow on his Breaſt, that his Life is deſpair'd of.

Monday between Ten and Eleven o'Clock, as Mr. Moſes Mendez de Coſta and Mr. Salvadore were coming from Highgate in the former's Coach, were attacked in the Upper Road Iſlington, by a ſingle Highwayman, who took from them their Watches and Money, and then made off; but Mr. de Coſta's Footman procuring Aſſiſtance, the Highwayman was purſued and taken at Highgate, and being carried before a Magiſtrate was committed by him to New Priſon. He is about eighteen Years of Age.

Laſt Saturday Mills, alias Smoaker, Ruff, Hill, and Slendon, the Four Smugglers brought from Chicheſter by a Detachment of Colonel Holmes's Marines, were brought from the Tower Priſon, and carried before Juſtice Hammond in the Borough, who commiited them to the New Jail.

Sunday another Smuggler was brought from Chicheſter by a Party of the ſame Regiment, and committed to the New Jail.

Tueſday the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor committed a Fellow to Newgate, for cruelly ſtabbing in the Back the Miſtreſs of the Sun Alehouſe in Long Lane, for refuſing to draw him Beer at an unſeaſonable Hour.

Laſt Tueſday fe'nnight Mr. Pilgrim's Maid, who had been advertiſed for robbing her Miſtreſs of two Gold Watches and other Things, was apprehended and carried before a Magiſtrate, when it appearing upon Examination, that ſhe had ſold a Silver Table-Spoon for eight Shillings, to a certain Silverſmith near Criplegate, and that he had likewiſe received the Watches knowing them to be ſtolen, and was to go Halves with her in the Reward offered for them, he was ſecured and committed to the Compter; but has ſince given 1000 l. Bail and ten Securities for his Appearance, to anſwer the ſame at the next Seſſions at the Old Bailey.

On Saturday three Women were taken up and committed to St. Gile's Round Houſe for attempting to bury a Child, which on Examination, had had it's Head cut off, and appeared to be murdered.

Wedneſday came an Account, that the Jeſu Maria Joſeph, Capt. Burgois, from La Vera Cruz, and the Havannah, bound to Cadiz, going into Fyal, one of the Weſtern Iſland, was taken by the Bethell, Capt. Freeman, from Ldghorn bound to New England; upon which Capt. Freeman was detained by the Portugueſe; but the next Morning, on the Demand of a Captain of an Engliſh Man of War in the Harbour, he was releaſed; and Captain Freeman in his Ship, with his Prize, ſailed immediately for New-England. There is on board the Spaniard 161 Cheſts of Silver, containing 600000 Dollars, two Cheſts of Gold, and other valuable Effects; the Prize had on board 110 Men, and the Bethell only 38 Men.

We learn by a private Letter from Leghorn, that after the Attack and Reduction of Nonza, by the Troops of the Allies and the Corſicans, the Commander in Chief of the French Forces at Baſtia, ſent an Offier on board the Engliſh Man of War which had ſeconded that Attack, and without whoſe Aſſiſtance the Place had never been taken, with a Meſſage in writing, importing, that he would be glad to know how ſo briſk a Cannonading of the Forces of the King his Maſter, conſiſting with the ceſſation of Arms concluding between the two Crowns. The Officer having delivered this, returned without an Anſwer. The Engliſh Commander ſoon after ſent an Officer on Shore with a Drum, to carry his Reaſons for his Behaviour; but in their way to the Town the Drum was killed by a Cannot Shot, and the Officer being in great Danger, thought proper to return without executing his Commiſſion.

Notwithſtanding the Report of the Pretender's going to reſide at Friburgh was ſome Time ago contradicted, there are Letters from Switzerland, dated the 9th Inſt. which mention it as a determined Affair, with this Circumſtance, which can hardly be credited, that the Friburghers themſelves give out, that the Court of London had intimated a Deſire of ſeeing him ſettled in one of the Cantons, and that he is to have a Penſion of 18000 l. Sterling: But on the other Hand, Letters from Bern ſay, that the Britiſh Miniſter reſiding in that City had exerted himſelf very much to prevent the Regency of Friburgh from receiving this Gueſt, but without Effect.

Letters from Hanover mention a great Storm of Thunder and Lightning in that Electorate and the Biſhopric of Oſnabrug, by which two young Ladies, belonging to a Convent of Ladies of Quality at Berſſenbruck, loſt their Lives.

Extract of a Letter from Conſtantinople, dated July 16.

"The Revolt mentioned ſome Time ago, and which which was thought to be appeaſed, has had terrible Conſequences. The Mutineers, aſſembled ſome Days after in ſuch great Numbers, that his Highneſs, looked upon the Affair in a very ſerious Light, went maſked out of the Seraglio with the Grand Vizir, and put himſelf at the Head of the Janizaries. Theſe fired upon the Seditious, and a great deal of Blood was ſpilt on both Sides upon the Occaſion. The Diſorder ceaſed a little for that Day; but the Revolt became afterwards quite general. The Mutinees demanded the Depoſition of the Grand Vizir; the Sultan was obliged to conſent, and the Aga of the Janizaries put in his Place. It is not thought however, that Things will end ſo, a total Revolution being apprehended."

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Aix la Chapelle, Aug. 16. The Duke de St. Severin arrived on the 13th, and on the 14th celebrated the Name-Day of his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty with great Splendor, but not ſo much Magnificence as if the Peace had alſo been ſign'd on this Day. 'Tis ſaid that the Approbation of all the Courts is not yet arrived, and that in the mean Time the Miniſters Plenipotentiaries have been making ſome Altera-

tions in the 3d Article of the Definitive Treaty. The Night before the Duke de St. Severin's Arrival, the young Pretender's Proteſtation was delivered to the Govenor Burgomaſter of this City. According to ſome, the Arrival of a Courier from Vienna, which is every Moment expected, will decide the Day for ſigning the Definitive Treaty.

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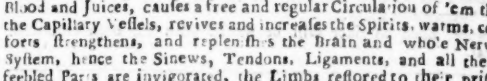

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